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By BILL SYMO Denver Post Staff Charges that have i investigation by the government of a De labor union are part that involves politics Latin American natio apparent internationa feud.

It also has given birth to new but emphatically denied allegacusing attention on what the Denver-based union's chief calls "a general anti-North American course of the investigation. feeling that is building up in Brazil."

The union official in Denver is Loyd A. Haskins, general secretary of the International Federation of Petroleum and Chemical Workers (IFPCW). He returned recently from Brazil where he conferred with government officials about the investigation that temporarily has halted the union's activities ithere.

Haskins has said that accusations that the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) has had a hand in union affairs in Brazil are "completely false" and originated with an "extreme leftist" newspaper, Ultima Hora, in Rio de Janeiro.

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Haskins said he learned Montions of involvement in union affairs by the Central Intellibence Agency (CIA) and is formittee thad not found any CIA day from a union representacontact, although they had looked for everything" in the

The union official gave this review of the Brazilian investiga-

"During my visit to Brazil, I met the minister of labor (Col. tee had determined that the Jarbas Passarinho) and found out that a newspaper (Ultima Hora) had produced two documents, one which purported to be a financial statement of our union there and a companion document which supposedly was signed by our representative there, Alberto Ramos.

"These documents subsequentpolice and determined to be for- we had been critical of the gov- Reuthe geries," Haskins said.

He listed four other allega-

muernal operation or the trade praza unions in Brazil.

-"That we were engaged in all of a jurisdictional dispute with the porting International Chemical Federa-our a tion (ICF), which is based in have Geneva, Switzerland."

Haskins said he spent two hours conferring with Passarinho, who said he had estab-worke lished an investigating commit-SLAP tee which was looking into the truth of the charges.

"He told me that the commitdocuments used against us were union forgeries, that we hadn't inter-govern fered in the internal activities of tions if the unions and that we weren't IIas opposed to Petrobras."

That, Haskins said, left IFPCW guilty, in Passarinho's ident opinion, of only two of the charges: "That we had engaged heads in a jurisdictional dispute with affairs ly were examined by Brazilian the Geneva-based union and that Hask ernment."

A decision on government ac-official tions on which the government tion to be taken as a result of those charges is pending, Has- Haskin kins said.

He said that his union "has Kemmi nothing to fear from the investi- about fi gation" and is keeping its office open in Brazil. But the union's had be activities, which Haskins said problem are limited to "educational pro-part (V grams," have been halted until this is the government decision is reached.

Haskins indicated that he believes the Brazilian investiga- crime

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